NINTH DAY.

Friday, 10th October 1941.

The Assembly reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Friday, 10th October 1941, at 12 of the clock, Mr. President (*Rajamantrapravina* N. Madhava Rau, B.A., B.L., (Dewan) in the Chair.

Before questions and answers were taken up, **Mr. Shampur PAPANNA** brought to the notice of the President that he had some constructive suggestions to make in regard to the special representation (about the increase in the price of yarn) which had been discussed on the previous day and requested permission to make them in order that they also might be noted for consideration.

The PRESIDENT permitted the member to make his suggestions later on.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS-*contd.*

Special Assessment levied on Houses built in Survey Numbers.

Q.—53. **Mr. G. KANCHAPPA** (Chiknaikanhalli—Rural).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) since what date the special assessment to build houses in survey numbers by the village raiyats was cancelled ;

(*b*) the number of licences issued during the year 1940-41 to build houses without assessing the special assessment (figures to be furnished talukwar) ;

(*c*) the number of licences issued levying the special tax to build houses by the raiyats, since the time of assessing the special tax up to the time of the cancellation of the same (figures to be given talukwar) ;

(*d*) the annual income derived from this special assessment (figures to be given talukwar) ?

A.—**The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT** (**Rajaseva prasakta B. T. Kesavaiengar**).—

(*a*) Since 18th December 1940.

(*b*), (*c*), and (*d*) *Vide* statement appended.

Mr. G. KANCHAPPA.—In spite of the order withdrawing the levy, why is special assessment being collected even now ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The order has not been given retrospective effect. Special assessment is not being levied in respect of houses built subsequent to the order.

Mr. G. KANCHAPPA.—In cases where lands were acquired specially for the purpose of allotting house sites, is there any justification for levying special assessment ?

Mr. PRESIDENT.—No special assessment is levied in such cases.

Construction of a Channel to supply Water to the Villages of Malur Taluk adjoining Markandeya Tank.

Q.—59. **Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA** (Malur—Rural).—

Will the Government be pleased to state : whether it is possible to supply water from the Markandeya Tank proposed to be constructed in Malur Taluk to the raiyats of the villages adjoining the said tank for wet cultivation ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** (**Mr. M. G. Mehkri**).—

To run a channel on the right bank to irrigate lands in Malur Taluk would be very difficult and costly due to numerous cross drainage works and the nature of the country. As the country for a distance of 3 miles is rocky and badly cut up, irrigation is possible only beyond this reach. Considering all